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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of October 17, 20013, in connection with the above identified application.

The Official Action is an election of species requirement. It is further indicated that claims 2, 4-9 and 13-16 are generic. Applicant makes an election of cancer therapy and notes that claims 2, 4-9, 11 and 15-16 are readable thereon. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications on the non-elected inventions at a later time.

In view of the election of cancer therapy, an early and favorable action on the merits is now believed to be in order and is most respectfully requested.

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